

**MINUTES OF MORNINGTON SHIRE COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MISSION ROAD, GUNUNA
ON THURSDAY, 4 APRIL 2024 AT 9:30AM**

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The meeting was opened by Chief Executive Officer Gary Uhlmann at 9.30am.

Mr. Uhlmann extends his warm welcome to Mayor and Councillors elect.

2 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

Mr. Uhlmann begins by acknowledging the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet today, the Lardil people of Mornington Island and pay our respects to Elders past and present. We would also like to acknowledge the Kaiadilt, Yangkaal, Waanyi, Gangalidda and Garawa people who share our homelands.

3 PRESENT

Cr Richard Sewter, Cr Robert Thompson, Cr Farrah Linden, Cr Renee Wilson, Gary Uhlmann (Chief Executive Officer), Ian McCarthy (Chief Financial Officer), Piet Baxter (Director Housing and Facilities) and via Videoconference Cr Tali Tabuai, Skye Price (Director Corporate and Community), Ken Tapfield (Human Resources Manager), Rhianne Williams (minute-taking).

In attendance of support – Helen Moon and Roxanne Thomas.

4 APOLOGIES

Nil

5 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND STAFF

Nil

6 CONDOLENCES AND MEMORIALS

A minute's silence was observed for loved ones.

Mr Uhlmann swore in councillors commencing with Mayor Richard Sewter, Farrah Linden, Renee Wilson, and Tali Tabui. Councillors acknowledged that Bob Thompson continued his term, post-election.

7 GOVERNANCE

7.1 NOTICE OF 2024 QUADRENNIAL ELECTION RESULTS AND SWEARING IN OF COUNCILLORS

RESOLUTION 2024/28

Moved: Councillor Richard Sewter
Seconded: Councillor Robert Thompson

That Council;

1. receive and note the report; and
2. that in accordance with section 169 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, the declaration of office has formally occurred with Mayor Richard Sewter, Councillor Farrah Linden, Councillor Renee Wilson, Councillor Tali Tabuai; and
3. Council acknowledges too that Councillor Bob Thompson's term continues.

CARRIED 5/0

7.2 ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR MORNINGTON SHIRE COUNCIL

RESOLUTION 2024/29

Moved: Councillor Farrah Linden
Seconded: Councillor Renee Wilson

That, in accordance with section 175(2) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Bob Thompson be appointed as Deputy Mayor from 4 April 2024.

CARRIED 5/0

7.3 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE 2024

RESOLUTION 2024/30

Moved: Councillor Richard Sewter
Seconded: Councillor Farrah Linden

That Council:

1. receive and note the report; and
2. endorse the Council meeting schedule for 2024.

CARRIED 5/0

7.4 APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT GROUP CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON**RESOLUTION 2024/31**

Moved: Councillor Robert Thompson

Seconded: Councillor Renee Wilson

That Council appoint Mayor Richard Sewter as Chairperson; and Chief Executive Officer Gary Uhlmann as Deputy Chairperson of the Mornington Shire Council Local Disaster Management Group, from 4 April 2024.

CARRIED 5/0

7.5 BUILDING OUR REGIONS ROUND 6 - MILESTONE 2 FOR BOR 056**RESOLUTION 2024/32**

Moved: Councillor Richard Sewter

Seconded: Councillor Farrah Linden

That Council advise the Queensland Government that:

1. Council is committed to completing the projects funded as a part of the Building Our Regions funding program;
2. Council acknowledges that under the terms of the funding agreement, it is responsible for any funding shortfalls if costs or other contributors change; and
3. A copy of this Council resolution will be made available for the Queensland Government to fulfil this milestone obligation.

CARRIED 5/0

7.6 BUILDING OUR REGIONS ROUND 6 - MILESTONES - WATER INVESTIGATION AND WATER SECURITY**RESOLUTION 2024/33**

Moved: Councillor Robert Thompson

Seconded: Councillor Renee Wilson

That Council advise Queensland Government that under the Building Our Regions program that:

1. Council is committed to completing the projects funded under the Building our Regions funding stream;
2. Council acknowledges that under the terms of the funding agreement, that it is responsible for any funding shortfalls if costs or other contributors change; and
3. A copy of this Council resolution will be made available to the Queensland Government, to fulfil this milestone obligation.

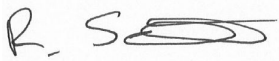
CARRIED 5/0

8 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Nil

9 CLOSURE

Mayor Sewter closed the meeting at 10.20am.


Mayor 

Date:

Gary Uhlmann
Chief Executive Officer.

Minutes Confirmed: 03/05/2024

CONFIRMED MINUTES

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